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U. S. Department of Agriculture Library

News Letter

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The Department Library is in the fortunate and unusual position of having no staff changes to report. While this is a desirable condition it does not furnish much ammunition for the News Letter. Lack of such news does not mean that we have not been working. On the contrary, although there was a lull in the demands on the Library during the latter part of December (also a depletion of the staff by the holidays), January has been a very busy month, at least at the Loan Desk. Help from the Catalog Division has sometimes been necessary to "dig" out there. Such change of work for catalogues is highly recommended by writers in the library magazines, and we hope that the advantages to the cataloguers in seeing how well the catalogue answers inquiries, will compensate for slowing up the cataloguing a little.

For the benefit of some inquirer the Secretary's office recently asked each of the bureaus to prepare an historical sketch going back to 1862. Miss Barnett did this for the Library. If any one wishes to see it, she will be glad to lend it.

The library of the Bureau of Animal Industry is rejoicing over the return of Miss Sherfy after an absence of five weeks. On December 14th Miss Sherfy met with an accident in one of the 16th street busses and while not yet completely recovered, she is doing full time work.

Mrs. Noble (Anne Draper) is convalescing slowly after her severe illness. She is going out each day for a short walk but does not expect to leave Washington until warmer weather.

L. R. Joseph

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Mr. Henry P. Henley has been appointed temporarily in the Department Library as library aid. With his help and that of the other young men in the Library we hope to make some impression on the shifting of books which is yet to be done and which has been held in abeyance for some time, owing to lack of help.

Miss K. C. Corbett is back in the Library after an absence of five weeks spent in recuperation.

We note with interest a British scheme described in the London Times for January 29th for a world list of periodicals, published between 1900 and 1921, which is said to be well on the way to completion. This was started by the Conjoint Board of Scientific Societies before it was dissolved over a year ago, and was then transferred to three men as trustees to place it on a permanent footing. This has now been done by the formation of a non-profit sharing registered company, "The World List". A large number of libraries have promised to subscribe for the volume when issued and the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust have generously guaranteed a grant-in-aid by which publication is assured. Over 20,000 scientific periodicals have been catalogued and arranged in alphabetical order, but it is already apparent that before the volume is printed material will have accumulated for a supplement containing certain journals whose existence had not been discovered, as well as others published since 1291(?). There will be an indication as to what libraries contain these periodicals,- some such arrangement as in Bolton's Catalogue of Periodicals. The libraries will be only those in the United Kingdom, but of course the list itself will be very useful in other countries.

Agricultural Economics

Miss Muriel Wright has been appointed in the library of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics and assigned to the Periodical Division. Miss Wright and Miss Johnson, both from Fergus Falls, Minnesota, came to the Department last September. Miss Johnson accepted a position in the library and Miss Wright in Mails and Files from which she was recently transferred to the library.

The members of the staff have had two very interesting luncheons recently. At the first Miss Barnett spoke on the bureau libraries and their relationship to the Department Library. At the second Miss Henderson of Land Economics described at length the work of that division.

In order that hearings before congressional committees on bills of interest to the Department may be obtained for the library files as early as possible, arrangements have been made by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics with Miss Silliman in charge of the library of the Superintendent

of Documents to check its list of hearings received each week. The library of the Superintendent of Documents receives copies of all hearings direct from the Printing Office as soon as printed. These are catalogued as rapidly as received. By checking over these catalogue cards each week and noting hearings on bills of interest to the Department of Agriculture, it will be possible for this Department to keep more nearly up to date on hearings than has been possible by waiting for the Monthly Catalog of U. S. Public Documents or by depending on chance notice that hearings are available.

Plant Industry.

Miss Julia Gregory, formerly of the Library of Congress, now assistant to Dr. R. H. True of the Department of Botany, University of Pennsylvania, has been spending some time in the library, consulting the botanical subject catalog.

Jessie Ham.

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Miss Shearer has been for the last few weeks assisting Miss Atwood in work on the Botanical catalogue.

Mr. W. P. Cutter, Librarian of the Department from 1893 to 1900, and now director of the information service of the Arthur D. Little Co., Cambridge, Mass., visited the Library recently.

Mademoiselle Montel of the Library of the Colonial Institute at Marseille, was a visitor at the Library today. She has recently been at the Simmons College Library School.

The shifting of the books to what it is hoped will be their permanent arrangement for some time to come has gone on quite steadily during the past few weeks. All of classes from 2 to 99 are now in the basement, the horticulture having just been moved there from the upper floor. The State Experiment Station publications (class 100) now begin the main arrangement.

Miss Wilkins is taking a vacation of about three weeks in Miami, Florida. She is expected back early next week.

The Department Library has had many visitors recently, Japan, India and Sweden being represented among its patrons.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

Miss Louise Bercaw has joined the staff of this library. For the sake of experience she is spending her first month in the Department Library catalog room.

Mrs. Bullock, who has been assisting Miss Jacobs for the past six months, is leaving the bureau as her temporary appointment has expired. She will continue with the Department, however, as she has received a temporary appointment in the Department Library.

Miss Martha Darwin, who has been with the Economics library since last August, has been obliged to take a leave of absence because of her health. She expects to spend two or three months with her uncle in Arizona.

Prepared by Miss Pendleton.

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Miss Esther M. Swain, who has been a temporary assistant in the Periodical Division, has left to accept a position in the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Miss Williamson, who has been away for several weeks on account of ill health, is still very sick and the date of her return is very indefinite. The Periodical Division is therefore left rather short handed, especially as Miss Bien has been spending some of her time in the Reference Room for the past week or two.

Miss Wilkins returned on March 25th from her trip to Florida.

A new library aid has been appointed temporarily, -Mr. Roger Horton.

Spring vacation brought the usual visits from Library schools, although there were only two this year, - Pratt on March 28th and the New York Public on April 2d. There were about twenty-five in the Pratt party and thirty-five in the New York Public. Both schools spent most of the forenoon here.

Bureau of Animal Industry

Bureau of Animal Industry reports the loss of Miss Severance to the Patent Office Library. Miss Severance started upon her new duties on April 11th and has charge of the cataloguing under the supervision of the Librarian, Mr. Price. Her first task was to catalogue sets of German periodicals. Her classmates of last year can imagine her state of mind!!

Bureau of Agricultural Economics

The vacancies on the staff of the Economics library are gradually being filled. Miss Louise Bercaw, who has spent a month in the Department Library, has now taken her place in the Bureau. Miss Lillian Crans has been temporarily transferred to the library from the stenographic section during Miss Darwin's absence.

The appointment of Mrs. Annie M. Hannay as reference and bibliographical assistant in foreign documents has been approved and she will come to the Bureau on May 1st. Mrs. Hannay is a graduate of the University of Glasgow, having received from that institution the M. A. degree with first class honors in French and German. For the past four years she has been in the Document Division of the Library of Congress. She is the author of a thesis on French documents which gives the sources from which foreign official documents may be procured from France, a description of the more important series issued by France, an account of the character of the information they contain, and a statement of the use to which this material can be put in a library.

At the staff luncheons which are held each Tuesday, the members of the staff have been considering legislation relating to the Bureau, particularly the hearings on the foreign work. This program was varied on April 1st, however, when Miss Denise Montel, Librarian of the Institut Colonial of Marseille, France, visited the library. She arrived just before the hour for the luncheon and was kind enough to tell the staff of the character of the work done by the Institut Colonial, which is composed of business men and agencies interested in improving the methods of production and the trade in the various raw materials produced by the French colonial possessions.

An effort is being made to issue the library supplement to the B.A.E. News once a month this year instead of every other month as last year. The supplement issues last week (no. 9) gives, with annotations, a list of references on long-time agricultural programs in the United States.

K. G. Upton.

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Reserve

Miss Williamson of the Periodical Division of the Department Library has so far recovered from her recent illness as to be able to leave this morning for Atlantic City. She expects to return in about two weeks.

Yesterday a number of students from the Pittsburgh Library School visited the Department Library.

Miss Sager of the Main Library is back at her desk today, after having had her tonsils removed.

Mrs. Walker of the Press Service has been ill for over a week.

The Bureau of Animal Industry Library is to be congratulated upon the acquisition of Miss Elizabeth Walton who takes the place of Miss Severance.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics

The Library of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics is planning an interesting compilation on the subject of the literature of rural life. Dr. C.J. Galpin, Chief of the Division of Farm Population and Rural Life, has for some time been anxious to see a course given in the agricultural colleges of the country which would deal with the literature of rural life. He has been speaking at various conferences relating to rural economics and sociology this spring, and succeeded in interesting Dr. Taylor, Dean of the Graduate School of the College of Agriculture of North Carolina in the subject. The decision has been made to offer such a course at the beginning of the fall term in September, 1924, at that institution, and the library of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics has been asked to prepare a list of sources upon which such a course could be built. Dr. Galpin's idea is to include material relating to human life in the country, and he wishes to have included poetry, descriptions of methods of farming and special localities contained in novels, and accounts of the early efforts of the Grange and other organizations to improve the conditions in the farm home with a view to building up a more contented rural population, and similar data from whatever sources may be collected.

Dr. Galpin recommended the reading of a little pamphlet entitled "The Catharsis of Husbandry" written by Fairfax Harrison, President of the Southern Railway. This delightful essay quotes freely from the early classical writers, showing the renewing and cleansing influence of country life upon the human mind as well as body.

The Library of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics will be very grateful for any suggestions from any members of the library staff of material of this kind, references to which may be included in the compilation.

Mrs. Annie M. Hannay, of the Library of Congress, whose expected coming was noted in the last Newsletter, began work in the Bureau of Agricultural Economics on the first day of May. Mrs. Hannay is engaged in studying the statistical material relating to agriculture in Germany which the Department has. The plan is to analyze these various publications for this type of material for first one country and then another, and later on to compile from them source books of statistics relating to production, consumption, import and exports. etc.

Miss Jessie Ham, who has been on a vacation in her home in Birmingham, Alabama, for more than two weeks, has returned to her work in the library.

Miss Miss Minna Gill is working in the periodical division of the Department Library for a month in order to gain additional experience in that field.

Miss Lillian Crans has joined the staff of the Library of the Bureau on a temporary detail to fill the vacancy caused by the prolonged absence of Miss Darwin on account of ill health.

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News Letter

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Reserve

The Department Library is glad to announce that the shifting of the books, necessitated by the acquisition of additional space last year, has at last been completed, and the books are now in their permanent places, in so far as they can be said to have permanent places in a library with relative location.

Miss Wilkins and Miss Davis are working on the first instalment (letters A-Am) of the Union List of Periodicals in libraries in the United States. It is desired to have this part in its tentative form ready for distribution at the A. L. A. conference June 30-July 5. Not only current but dead journals are to be included with indication of the holdings of each library.

The current journals kept in pigeon holes in the Periodical Room are being rearranged by call numbers. Additional space for them has also been provided at the east end of the Library, and class 300 to the end will be filed here.

Miss Sarah L. Kilpatrick, Librarian of the Georgia Experiment Station, is coming to the Library on June 16 for a month's work, for the benefit of the experience.

Miss Helen M. Bishop was called home to Connecticut a few weeks ago by the death of her sister who was fatally injured by an automobile. Miss Bishop feels that she can not leave home at present and does not expect to return to the Library until September 1st.

Miss Williamson who has been ill for some time is improving and hopes to be able to resume work also on September 1st.

Mr. John T. Patterson, who has been a temporary assistant in the Periodical Division is leaving the library and intends to take a summer course at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Henry P. Henley, another temporary assistant, to whom we owe much gratitude for his efficient work in accomplishing the shifting of the books, also left the Library June 1st.

Miss Catherine Chisholm is a temporary library aid for the rest of the month, and is working in the Periodical Division.

Another task accomplished during the past few weeks is the arranging of the commercial, especially live stock, papers of the sort known as "floppy" which, on account of their size and limp condition, are very hard to handle. The Bureau of Agricultural Economics sends

us down a cart load of them every few months in addition to the ones we already have in the Library and the files have for some time been in a condition which made it very difficult to find the numbers wanted. We have now just about enough space for them and Miss Barnett is planning some additional cases for future needs.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

The bibliography on marketing of agricultural products, compiled by the library staff of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, has been sent today to be mimeographed. It consists of 130 pages, with a real table of contents and index. The staff feels very much elated at having this piece of work, on which they have spent so much time, completed.

Miss Day, of the library, left Monday for a three-weeks vacation. She will spend most of her time at her home in Buffalo.

At one of the recent staff luncheons, there were birthday festivities for Miss Jacobs and Mrs. Hannay.

The library feels that a real start has been made in its index of sources for statistical and economic data. Mrs. Hannay has finished indexes of *Wirtschaft und Statistik*, and *Deutscher Reichsanszeiger*, and the information they contain is available for any one who needs it.

Bureau of Plant Industry Library

In connection with its work in verifying and editing references to literature in bureau publications and *Journal of Agricultural Research*, the library has received many inquiries and calls for assistance and has been for some time considering the preparation of suggestions and examples which would help authors and editors of these publications. A few months ago the editor of the *Journal of Agricultural Research*, in cooperation with this library, decided that the form of citation used in the *Journal* was longer and more detailed than necessary, and a simplified form was proposed and has now been adopted. In order to make these changes clear to the editorial offices and writers who prepare manuscripts for the *Journal*, both in the Department and at the experiment stations, quite explicit directions have been made out. These are entitled "Suggested procedure for citations to literature in *Journal of Agricultural Research*". They consist of 16 pages and index, and contain many examples. A few typed copies have been distributed for trial by authors and editors in the Department and several changes have been made which seemed desirable in actual practice. We hope to have these directions in shape for mimeographing and distribution about July 1st. The procedure will continue to be open to suggestion and criticism and probably will not be fixed for some time.

Miss Warner, who left this library about a year ago to care for her mother and father, spent a few hours in Washington on May 25th, stopping between trains on her way from Columbia, South Carolina, to her summer home in New Hampshire. Her visit, though a brief one, was much enjoyed by her friends here. A paper by Miss Warner entitled "The earliest American book on kitchen gardening" has appeared within the past year in the Annual report

of the American Historical Association for 1919, vol. 1, published in 1923. This refers to the "Treatise on gardening, by a citizen of Virginia," ascribed to John Randolph of Williamsburg. Miss Warner's paper is a very fine example of bibliographical research, and adds materially to the reputation she has made for herself in this field.

Bureau of Public Roads Library

Roads library reports that Miss Reynolds who has handled their periodical desk, was married yesterday to Mr. Marchburg, and will live in Chevy Chase. Her place has not as yet been filled.

Bureau of Entomology Library

Miss Gildersleeves has been detailed to work under the direction of Miss Colcord on the Index to American Economic Entomology.

The elementary Library Science class had its examination on June 9. The advanced class has been visiting Government libraries for the last six weeks, gathering notes on advanced reference works. It is so interesting that they are to be continued a little longer than the prescribed length of the course.

Office of Experiment Stations Library

The library of the Office of Experiment Stations announces the publication of Department Bulletin 1199, the "List of bulletins of the agricultural experiment stations in the United States from their establishment to the end of 1920". Owing to the strict economies in printing, many valuable bibliographic notes had to be omitted. It is planned to issue biennial supplements. The first of these is now in the hands of the printer. Record of the distribution is being kept in this Office so that we may be able to send out any future supplements issued, to the people who have the original bulletin.

Miss Hull.

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Reserve

There have been several changes in the Department Library staff during the summer. We are sorry to report the loss of Mrs. Joseph, who, although still having a desk in the Library has been transferred to the Bureau of Plant Industry. Miss Bishop, who returned the last of August from a furlough of several months, is taking Mrs. Joseph's place at the Loan Desk. Miss Potter has been obliged by illness to take a rest of six months, but hopes to return the 1st of January. Her work at the Loan Desk is taken care of by Mrs. Hope H. Simmons, recently appointed.

We are glad to report that Miss Williamson, who had a long furlough on account of illness, is again able to be back at work.

Miss E. L. Ogden was at the Library for two months this summer on a temporary appointment and was in charge of the reference work during that time.

Miss Alice O. Hudson has been appointed to a position in the Department Library, and, after two weeks in the Catalogue Division, is working at the continuation desk. Miss Hudson is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin Library School and has been a member of the staff of the Library School for the past year.

Mr. Henry P. Henley, who had a temporary appointment in the Library last spring and finished the shifting of books to the new shelves, has just been appointed and is at present reading the shelves to see that the books are in order.

The arrangement of the journals in the Periodical Reading Room is being changed and is now to be strictly in accordance with the classification numbers. The cases have been run up several pigeon holes higher so that more periodicals can be accommodated. When the rearrangement is complete, it will be much easier to keep the periodicals in order.

Miss Nye, Librarian of the Bureau of Home Economics, has been ill since the first of September and it will probably be some time before she is able to be at work again. The Bureau is just being moved to Building H-O of the Government hotels. Negotiations are now in progress for the appointment of a librarian to take charge of the Library temporarily during Miss Nye's absence.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics

The Bibliography on the Marketing of Agricultural Products, on which the staff of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library has been working

for some time, was completed and issued as Bibliographical Contribution No.7 early in the summer. Arrangements have recently been made to have it printed as a Miscellaneous Circular of the Department. This has necessitated its revision to bring it up to date, and a section on the marketing of seeds has been added at the request of one of the Divisions of the Bureau. The manuscript is now on its way to the printer.

Mrs. Eva Thayer Shively, who was formerly with the library of the Bureau of Markets, has been here during the summer working on a bibliography on the cost of production. The section on the cost of production of sugar is completed and will be issued in the October Library Supplement to the B. A. E. News.

Library Supplements to the B. A. E. News issued during the summer contained the following bibliographies:

Councils and chambers of agriculture in foreign countries.

Business and agriculture.

Current serials containing material relating to agricultural economics issued by State departments of agriculture, Agricultural experiment stations, and State universities.

State crop and livestock reports issued in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Bureau of Entomology.

The Library of the Bureau of Entomology is rejoicing in a new room. Room 3 in the Bureau, adjoining Room 2, the present library, has been assigned to its use in addition to Room 2. A doorway has been cut between the rooms, new Library Bureau metal shelving has been ordered for Room 3, several improvements have been made in the arrangement of the old furniture, and conveniences long desired have been added, notably a stationery washbowl with hot and cold running water, and extra pigeonholes for our unbound periodical files. At the November library meeting we hope to be able to make further announcements, for which we shall be most truly thankful.

As some of you may have heard, a great honor has come to the Bureau Library this summer. Miss Ina L. Hawes, first assistant, visited the Grand Canyon in Arizona on her vacation. From the desert near Tucson, in a forest of giant cactus, at great peril to life and limb, she secured a choice specimen of the horned toad. She brought him home alive. His chief diet being the living *Musca domestica*, none of which are existent in the Bureau library, upon the advice of an eminent entomologist she offered him to the Zoo. He was quickly accepted. "Cactus Dan" is probably now on view in the Lion House, where we hope all interested may be able to see him.

The Librarian of the Bureau begs to make the distressing announcement that she has been appointed to represent the District of Columbia on the membership committee of the American Library Association. She asks all Department librarians, not now members, to cheerfully join at once without further special inducement.

Bureau of Plant Industry.

Miss Marjorie F. Warner, formerly Librarian of the Bureau of Plant Industry, who is in Washington for a few days en route from New Hampshire to Florida, visited the library early in the week. Miss Warner is staying with Miss Atwood.

The Bureau of Plant Industry Library was glad to be able to secure the transfer of Mrs. Joseph from the Main Library, to assist in the work of editing literature citations from the Journal of Agricultural Research.

Miss Allen, Librarian of the Bureau, is spending a month's vacation with relatives in Kansas.

Bureau of Animal Industry.

Since the creation of the Bureau of Dairying on the first of July 1924, plans have been under discussion for the establishment of a separate branch library in the new bureau. Recently Miss Sherfy was appointed Librarian of the Bureau of Dairying to take charge both of the library service and of the file work. At present Miss Sherfy is devoting the greater part of her time to the files, adapting the classification now in use in the Bureau of Animal Industry to the needs of the Bureau of Dairying. The files are located in the room in the basement of the East Wing, which, when the Main Library was located there, was used by Miss Barnett for her office. Later Miss Sherfy expects to move from the rooms now occupied by the Library of Animal Industry and start the new branch library in the room next to the Dairy file room, which was formerly occupied by the catalog room of the Main Library. When the move is finally completed and the new library established, Miss Sherfy expects to have one assistant in the file room and one in the Library. Miss Thompson and Miss Walton will remain in the Animal Industry Library, Room 246, East Wing.

H. C. Corbett

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It is with regret that we record the death on November 5th of Miss Mabel A. Nye, Librarian since 1919, of the Office of Home Economics, later the Bureau of Home Economics. All of us who had to do with her, even although only in connection with out work, feel that we have lost a friend. Her gentle and unassuming manner, friendliness and cooperative spirit (she was always afraid that she was making too much trouble or asking us to do too much) as well as her efficient and thorough work, make her much missed in the Department Library where she was a frequent visitor. Her sister, writing to Miss Barnett, says of her: "As you probably surmised, my sister always felt that she was not big enough for the position and she marveled at the kindness of her associates in helping her in various ways. She loved her work in Washington and I am so glad that she had even a brief opportunity to help in the Bureau of Home Economics. ... Please tell your library folks what we have tried to express in a card that the flowers sent for the funeral were very much appreciated. They helped us as well as being a tribute to Mabel." Miss Nye had been ill since the first of September but it was not until after the Bureau of Home Economics was moved into its new quarters in the Government Hotels building that any one was found to take charge of her work. Mrs. Shively of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library, was, however, appointed to fill the place temporarily on October 24, when it was still hoped that Miss Nye might be able to resume her work later.

Miss Barnett is absent from the Library this month, not entirely for pleasure, since on October 31st she had her tonsils removed.

The Loan Desl of the Department Library is suffering from an almost unprecedented rush of work. The number of loans was greater by about a third during October than during October, 1923, and so far this month has been about 25 per cent more than last year. Even with some extra help the assistants can hardly find time for a drink of water.

The linoleum on the floor of this Reading Room is new - so new that it has not yet been cemented down. We think it is an improvement as to looks and it also helps keep the room quiet.

Bureau of Entomology Library

Entomology library is happy to be able to report that it has at last expanded and now occupies two rooms. Any one who ever visited us before and saw our crowded condition, must surely realize our delight in our reading room with its new Library Bureau shelving.

We feel that we can revise the old saying and make it read "Blessings never come singly", for besides being given a new room, we also have obtained a new assistant. Miss Hull was transferred to us from O.E.S. library on November 6th.

Bureau of Home Economics Library

The library of the Bureau of Home Economics is now settled in its new quarters in one of the government hotels near the Union Station. Mrs. Shively is glad to announce that the shelving is in and that it has been stained and that all the books are now in their approximate places, at least. The librarian considers this by far the finest of the bureau libraries, from all points of view. What with rugs on the floors and draperies at the windows, and a private office in which to enter her periodicals, she is quite overcome. What does it matter that some of the book shelves were formerly mop closets in the East Wing?

Bureau of Agricultural Economics Library

The library is glad to report that Miss Lacy is recovering nicely from the operation for the removal of her tonsils. She left Tuesday for her home in Richmond and expects to return to the library December 1st. Before leaving she completed "A beginning of a bibliography on the literature of rural life." Dr. Galpin, of the Rural Life Division, plans to have this mimeographed.

Miss Carpenter has completed a short bibliography on Foreign Trade which will appear in the next Library Supplement to the B. A. E. News.

Division leaders of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics have been asked to speak to the members of the library staff at the weekly luncheons. During the past month we have heard from Mr. Tolley and Mr. Wilcox of the Division of Farm Economics and Cost of Marketing, and from Mr. W.A. Wheeler of the Hay, Feed and Seed Division, on the work of their divisions and the ways in which the library can be of help to them.

Office of Experiment Stations Library

The O. E. S. library is now occupying its new room and is happy to be settled once more.

We regret to announce that Miss Hull has left this library to accept a position with the library of the Bureau of Entomology.

It may be of interest to some to learn that the bibliographer's report presented to the Association of Land Grant Colleges by Dr. A. C. True and prepared usually by the O. E. S. library, this year, is "A partial index to subjects in the Proceedings of the Association of Agricultural or Land-Grant Colleges, 1885-1923."

L. L. Day.

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Mrs. Eva T. Shively, who has been temporarily in charge of the Bureau of Home Economics Library since Miss Nye's illness and death, has been permanently appointed as Librarian.

Miss Reardon, who has been an assistant at the Periodical Desk of the main Library, has resigned and is planning to enter the University of Illinois as a sophomore next semester.

The Department Library was visited yesterday by members of the A.L.A. Board of Education for Librarianship - Dr. Keogh, Librarian of the Yale University, Miss Elizabeth Smith, Librarian of the Albany Public Library, and Mr. Malcolm Wyer, Librarian of the Denver Public Library, also Miss Harriet Howe, Executive of the A. L. A. The Board is making a general tour of the country to visit all library schools. They are also considering the claims of Washington to have located in it a graduate library school, which will probably be established in the near future. They were accompanied in their visits to Washington libraries by several Washington librarians, including Miss Barnett. They attended the D. C. Library Association meeting in the evening.

The Library had the honor of having chosen from its midst the Department of Agriculture representative in "Uncle Sam's Pollies" last week. Miss Jewell Sager was "Miss Agriculture."

Beginning with the present session of Congress, Mr. Greathouse of the Division of Publications, is sending over to the Library index cards for material in the Congressional Record of interest to the Department. These cards are at present in the case near Miss Hawks' desk.

Bureau of Agricultural Economics

The staff of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics library regret to report that Miss Lacy is still absent. After recovering from the operation for her tonsils she took cold and has not been able to be out since.

Miss Minerva Snoddy was appointed Under Library Assistant the first of December, to assist with the foreign files. Her appointment is temporary.

The Library supplement to the B.A.E. News for December 30th will contain a bibliography on the Cost of Production of Milk.

With the reconvening of Congress the Congressional Record is again being received and indexed daily. The index now being prepared by Mr. Greathouse in the Division of Publications forms a valuable supplement to this work as it is in greater detail although of course not so prompt.

C.L.Feldkamp.

